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E.O.11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: CANCELLATION OF MAY 11 NAC

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REFS: (A) USNATO 4256, (B) USNATO 4594, (C) USNATO 4589,
(D) USNATO 4611

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1. AT MAY 9 NAC, FRENCH PERMREP (TINE) SAID THAT HE HAD
SENT REPORT OF DISARMAMENT EXPERTS MEETING ON UNSSOD
(REF B) TO PARIS FOR COMMENT AND DID NOT EXPECT GUIDANCE
TO ARRIVE FOR MAY 11 NAC WHEN UNSSOD IS TO BE DISCUSSED
(REF A). LUNS SAID THAT IF A DELEGATION FELT THIS WAY,
THEN NAC DISCUSSION WOULD HAVE TO BE POSTPONED.

2. TINE WENT ON TO SAY THAT HE HAD HEARD CONSIDERATION
WAS ALSO BEING GIVEN TO DISCUSSION OF EAST-WEST STUDY IN
MAY 11 NAC (SPC CHAIRMAN HAD IN FACT PROPOSED THIS IN
MAY 8 SPC MEETING--REF D--TO UNENTHUSIASTIC RESPONSE) AND
WISHED TO OPPOSE SUCH DISCUSSION AS PREMATURE. NEW VERSION
OF PART III RESULTING FROM SPC DISCUSSIONS (REFS C AND D)
SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN CAPITALS AND POSSIBLY REVIEWED
AGAIN BY SPC BEFORE BEING DISCUSSED IN NAC. DOCUMENT IN
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ITS PRESENT STATE WITH MANY BRACKETS IS NOT IN SUITABLE
FORM FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION. KILLICK (UK) AGREED THAT
MAY 11 WAS TOO SOON, BUT IN VIEW OF SHORTAGE OF TIME AND
NECESSITY TO GET COUNCIL INVOLVED WITH STUDY PROMPTLY,
SUGGESTED THAT NAC MIGHT DISCUSS STUDY NEXT TUESDAY,
MAY 16. LUNS SAID HE WOULD DO HIS BEST.

3. UPSHOT OF ABOVE DISCUSSION WAS THAT LUNS CANCELLED
THURSDAY, MAY 11 SESSION OF NAC. BENNETT

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